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GO SERV "SPOTLIGHT" SHINES ON AMERICORPS MEMBER HELPING HOMELESS VETERANS

SACRAMENTO - The Governor's Office on Service and Volunteerism (GO SERV) applauds Jonathan Harland whose dedication through service is to help homeless veterans get the help they need.

"Service is among the most patriotic of all acts, and Jonathan's work with homeless veterans is a shining example of patriotism at its finest," said Chuck J. Supple, Executive Director for the Governor's Office on Service and Volunteerism.

The U.S. Vets AmeriCorps program is a national collaboration designed to help homeless veterans by providing services to break the cycle of homelessness, encourage self-sufficiency, and promote achievement of the highest human potential for veterans and their families. Of the 8 programs currently operating throughout the country, 3 are located in California. Jonathan Harland served at the U.S. Vets program in Long Beach, the Villages at Cabrillo.

As an AmeriCorps member serving homeless veterans at the Villages, Jonathan helped homeless vets get off the streets, find housing, employment services and provided links to other services as needed. Upon his completion of service, Jonathan stayed with program, where he supervises 34 AmeriCorps members in the U.S. Vets AmeriCorps program.

The Villages at Cabrillo is the largest residential social program in the country and has the capacity to serve 1,000 homeless veterans at full occupancy.

"I'm proud to announce Jonathan Harland as our current Spotlight recipient. His service through the U.S. Vets program has touched the lives of so many in such a positive way," concluded Mr. Supple.

To find out more or to make a *Spotlight* nomination, please visit the GO SERV Web site at www.goserv.ca.gov.